Fiscal Note to County Clerks.

The state is generally responsible for costs of treatment of a committed dangerous sex offender. The county is subject to the costs of due process associated with the commitment process.

Discussion.

71-1207. Upon filing of a petition under the Sex Offender Commitment Act, the subject shall have the rights as provided for in the Mental Health Commitment Act, which includes a due process hearing before a county mental health board as authorized in the Mental Health Commitment Act.

71-915(4). Mental Health Board members shall be compensated for their actual and necessary expenses by the county or counties being served by such board.71-919 provides that each county shall pay the cost of the emergency protective custody if the subject is placed in a county facility.

71-925(7) requires the county to pay any mental health professional for evaluations conducted prior to the entry of a treatment order. 71-929(4) states that the county shall be responsible for costs relating to the admission or return of a subject to a treatment facility.

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